GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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SMUGGLING OF ANTIQUES
Sen Smt. Minati

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of large scale smuggling of antiques on Indo-Bangladesh border through Siliguri corridor;

(b) if so, the number of persons arrested during the last three years;

(c) whether it is a fact that in the past the State Administration of Cultural Heritage in China cautioned India of the increasing outflow of antiques through the Siliguri corridor; and

(d) if so, the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to check the smuggling of antiques through Siliguri corridor?

Answer

MINISTER FOR INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a)The information is being collected & will be laid on the table of the house. to

(d)